

A STATISTICAL COMPARISON:
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Characteristic	Ohio	U.S.
Number of Farms ^a	95,937	2,478,642
Average of Farm Size (acres)	168	415
Average Value of Land and Buildings per Farm (\$)	249,345	262,252
Estimated Market Value of Machinery and Equipment per Farm (\$)	31,608	32,172
Average Market Value of Agr. Products Sold per Farm (\$)	29,988	43,618
Percent of Farms Which Sold Livestock	60.6	69.3
Percent of Farms Hiring Farm Labor	32.8	39.7
Land in Farms ^b (acres)	16,090,902	1,029,694,535
Cropland (acres)	12,226,271	461,340,542
Percent Cropland Harvested	84.2	69.5
Percent Cropland Irrigated	0.2	11.0
Percent of Land Rented or Leased	37.0	37.6
Average Age of Operator	49.1	50.1
Percent of Operators for Whom Farming is Principle Occupation	47.6	53.5
Percent of Operators Who are Women	4.2	5.2
Percent of Operators Who are Spanish, Black and Other Minority Races ^c	0.2	4.1
Percent Distribution: Operators by Place of Residence		
(Place of Residence)	(Percent)	
On Farm Operated	76.7	72.0
Not on Farm	14.4	17.8
Not Reported	8.9	10.2
Percent Distribution: Operators by Days Worked Off Farm		
(Days Worked off Farm)	(Percent)	
None	34.9	40.4
1-99	9.5	10.7
100-199	7.7	7.9
200+	44.2	36.5
Not Reported	3.6	4.5

Percent Distribution: Farms by Size of Farm

(acres)		(percent)
1-49	27.5	27.9
50-99	21.8	15.6
100-219	27.3	22.5
220-499	17.0	18.8
500-999	5.2	8.7
1000+	1.2	6.5

Percent Distribution: Land in Farms by Size of Farm

(acres)		(percent)
1-49	3.5	1.3
50-99	9.6	2.7
100-219	24.2	8.2
220-499	32.6	14.9
500-999	20.4	14.4
1000+	9.9	58.5

Percent Distribution: Farms by Estimated Value of Land and Buildings

(dollars)		(percent)
1 - 39,999	15.0	19.4
40,000 - 99,999	29.2	27.9
100,000 - 199,999	22.0	20.3
200,000 - 499,999	20.4	19.8
500,000+	13.2	12.7

Percent Distribution: Farms by Tenure

(tenure)		(percent)
Full Owner	60.3	58.6
Part Owner	27.2	28.9
Tenant	12.5	12.7

Percent Distribution: Land in Farms by Tenure

(tenure)		(percent)
Full Owner	37.3	33.1
Part Owner	50.0	54.9
Tenant	12.7	12.1

Percent Distribution: Farms by Type of Organization

(type of organization)		(percent)
Individual or Family	87.2	87.8
Partnership	11.2	9.7
Family Held Corporation	1.1	1.8
Other than Family Held Corporation	0.2	0.2
Other ^d	0.3	0.4

Percent Distribution: Land in Farms by Type of Organization

(type of organization)		(percent)
Individual or Family	79.5	66.7
Partnership	16.7	15.5
Family Held Corporation	2.9	10.1
Other than Family Held Corporation	.4	1.6
Other ^d	.5	6.2

FOOTNOTES

^a A farm is any place from which \$1,000 or more of agricultural products were sold or normally would have been sold during the census year.

^b Land in farms include cropland, woodland, pastureland and rangeland other than cropland and woodland pastured, and land in house lots, ponds, roads, wasteland, etc. Cropland includes harvested land, land used only for pasture or grazing, cropland in cover crops, legumes, and soil improvement grasses, not harvested and not pastured; cropland on which all crops failed, cropland in cultivated summer fallow, and cropland idle.

^c It should be noted that Hispanics are legally considered white in the United States.

^d Cooperatives, estate or trust, institutional, etc.

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